

Tuesday, May 15, 1917.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of May 14 was corrected and approved as corrected.

By request of Mr. Gornto, Senate Bill No. 444, which was laid on the table under the rule, was restored to the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Eaton, Chairman of the Committee on Railroads, Canals and Telegraphs, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 11, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Railroads, Canals and Telegraphs, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 136:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the protection of passengers, and for the suppression of drumming and soliciting upon railroad trains, and upon the premises of common carriers in the State of Florida.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass, with the following amendments:

At the end of line 6 of Section 1, add the following:

"And no person shall approach a passenger train after the same has stopped at any depot in this State closer than ten feet from said train for the purposes provided against in this Act."

In Section 1, line 10, after the word "carriers," insert the following:

"Or who shall approach any train closer than ten feet for any of the purposes aforesaid."

In Section 1, lines 2, 8 and 9, strike out the words: "Except as provided in Section 2 of the Act."

Add to Section 1 the words:

"Provided, nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to prevent railroads or common carriers to permit agents or transfer companies on their trains to check baggage or provide transfers for passengers, or for persons or corporations to sell periodicals and such other articles as are usually sold by news agencies for the convenience and accommodation of said passengers, nor to receive and deliver telegrams."

Strike out Section 2.

Very respectfully,

O. M. EATON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 136, with committee amendments thereto, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Willis, Chairman of the Committee on Banking, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Banking, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 486:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to define what shall be considered bad debts for the purposes of determining the

resources and assets of any bank, banking, savings and trust company, doing business under the laws of this State, and prescribing the duties of the Comptroller in relation to the same.

Also—

House Bill No. 339:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making farm loan bonds issued under the provisions of this Act of Congress called the Federal Farm Loan Act, approved July 17, 1916, lawful investments for all fiduciary and trust funds, and authorizing the acceptance of such bonds as security for all public deposits.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that they do pass.

Very respectfully,

R. A. WILLIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 486 and House Bill No. 339, contained in the above report, were placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 46:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 6832, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1915, entitled "An Act requiring the teaching of the evils of alcoholic beverages and narcotics to children in the primary grades of the public schools.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 46, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Willis, Chairman of the Committee on Banking, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Banking, to whom was referred—
House Bill No. 309:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making it unlawful for any bank or trust company organized and doing business in this State to loan any of the funds of said bank or trust company to any officer or employee thereof; or to loan an amount exceeding ten (10) per cent of the aggregate capital and surplus to any director thereof; or to invest any of the proceeds of any such bank or trust company in stock of another corporation or in bonds other than government, either United States or foreign, State, county or municipal bonds and first mortgage bonds of railroad companies which have not defaulted in payments of interest for five years previous to purchase of such bonds and first mortgages on real estate; or to issue certificates of deposit for anything except cash deposited concurrently with the issuance of said certificates with said bank or trust company; or to carry among the assets of said bank or trust company any note, obligation or security which is not actually owned by said bank or trust company; and prescribing penalties for any violation of any provisions of said Act.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend its passage, with the following amendments:

1. To the title add, "in excess of ten per cent of its capital and surplus."

2. At the end of Section 1 add the following:

"Provided, That whenever the Board of Directors shall determine by a majority vote, which shall be entered on the Minutes of the Board, that the security offered is entirely satisfactory, that the capital is unimpaired, and that the condition of the affairs of the bank, banking or trust company are otherwise such as to warrant the loan,

and that it can be made without reducing the legal reserve, the limitation provided by this section is hereby extended in such cases to 40 per cent of the capital and surplus to all of the other restrictions provided for by this Act."

Very respectfully,
R. A. WILLIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 309, with amendments, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 78:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the issuing by any one of checks or orders upon banks or other persons, when the makers of such orders or checks have not sufficient funds on deposit with the drawee to pay such order, to prescribe a rule of evidence therein, and to provide punishment therefor.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 78, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Hughlett—
Senate Bill No. 518:

A Bill to be entitled An Act granting additional rights,

powers and privileges to the City of Titusville, Brevard County, Florida, in addition to its present city charter, and prescribing a method for the levy and collection of a per capita or commutation street tax, and to provide penalties for violations of this Act.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

By Mr. Alexander—

Senate Bill No. 519:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to regulate charges on telegrams in the State of Florida, and to fix the penalty for violation of same.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Canals and Telegraphs.

By Mr. Terrell—

Senate Bill No. 520:

A Bill to be entitled An Act regulating the sale of farm and garden seed and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

By Mr. Fogarty—

Senate Bill No. 521:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend An Act (Chapter 6834 of the Laws of Florida, Acts of 1915), authorizing the State School Book Commission of the State of Florida to extend the time limit of five years for renewing contracts for purchase of school text-books to July 1, 1919, and for other purposes.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Carlton—

Senate Bill No. 522:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and validate an election held in the County of Hillsborough, State of Florida, on the 24th day of April, 1917, to determine by a majority of the votes cast at said election whether bonds to the amount of \$100,000.00 proposed by a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners, should be issued for the purpose of building and constructing roads

and bridges in the Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, and creating said Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, to declare and render valid the said election, and the result as shown by returns thereof, to cure all irregularities, illegalities, defects or omissions in all proceedings relating to the issuance and sale of said bonds, and the election authorizing the same, to the delivery of said bonds, to legalize and validate all proceedings had in reference to said bonds, and to authorize the issuance of bonds to the amount of \$100,000.00 by said Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, for said Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, drawing interest at five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually,, and the sale of the same.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on Second Reading.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The following message from the Governor was read:

Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Dear Sir—I enclose you herein original letter from Hon. W. G. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury, Washington, D. C., together with my reply. I earnestly hope that our State may profit by the Farm Loan Bonds and other legislation which should be enacted along these lines. I will thank you to give this your careful attention.

Yours very truly,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor.

The Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington, D. C., May 9, 1917.

My Dear Governor:

I am very glad indeed to have your letter of May 4, advising me that you had forwarded to both branches of your Legislature my letter of April 21, asking that Farm Loan Bonds be made legal investment for all public and private funds in your State.

It is anticipated that the first issue of the Farm Loan Bonds will be placed on the market by the middle of June, and I am very anxious to have the necessary legislation approved prior to that time in order that a broad market may be made for the bonds from the very first. Every effort is being directed toward increasing agricultural production in the United States, and favorable action by your Legislature will assist materially in supplying funds for the farmers of your State at the low rate of 5 per cent per annum. It is our manifest duty to render whatever aid we can to assist the cause of liberty and humanity, and it is quite obvious that the supplying of foodstuffs is of paramount importance.

Trusting that you will give this matter your close attention, I am

Cordially yours,

W. G. McADOO.

Hon. Sidney J. Catts,
Governor of Florida,
Tallahassee, Fla.

Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

Hon. W. G. McAdoo,
Washington, D. C.,

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 9th, in regard to the Farm Loan Bonds. I am forwarding your letter to the Senate and making a copy of the same and forwarding to the House, which, I hope, will stir up some action in regard to this very important legislation, which seems up to this date not to have claimed the attention of our legislators, although I have done all in my power to get them to take some steps whereby this loan could be helpful to the farmers of Florida. I also send them a copy of this letter to you. I sincerely thank you for bringing this matter the third time to my attention.

With best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor.

And the communication from Secretary McAdoo was referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

Also—

The following message from the Governor was read:
Executive Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Enclosed please find original letter from Hon. C. D. Walcott, Secretary of Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C. He is very much interested in regard to the birds and other animals of our State and recommends the insertion of a clause in the new law providing for the taking of limited numbers of birds and mammals for scientific purposes under permits issued by the Governor. Kindly give this matter your careful attention.

Yours very truly,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor.

Smithsonian Institution,
Washington, D. C., May 4, 1917.

Sir:

Understanding that the Florida Legislature, now in session, will take up the matter of a new game law, I wish to take the liberty of calling attention to the importance of making provisions whereby duly authorized persons may collect birds and mammals for scientific and propagating purposes, and may ship the same from the State.

Various species of birds and other animals desired from time to time by the National Zoological Park were, before the present law went into effect, obtained from collectors in Florida. At present it is impossible for our scientific institutions to obtain material of this kind from the State.

I therefore earnestly recommend for your consideration the matter of inserting a clause in the new law providing for the taking of limited numbers of birds and mammals for strictly scientific purposes under permits issued by the Governor, or by the head of the State game administration; these permits to be issued on the recommendation of at least two scientific men of well-known standing. Such provisions have been found to cover

the matter satisfactorily in other States, and I feel confident that there would be no abuse of the privilege.

Very respectfully,

C. D. WALCOTT,
Secretary.

Honorable Sidney J. Catts,
Governor of Florida,
Tallahassee, Florida.

And the communication from Secretary Walcott was referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 137:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making appropriations for the support and maintenance of the State Institutions for Higher Education created and required to be maintained by Chapter 5384 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 5, 1905, now known as the University of Florida, the Florida State College for Women, the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind, and the Agricultural and Mechanical College for Negroes; and for the support and maintenance of Summer Schools created by Chapter 6498, Laws of Florida, approved June 5, 1913.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 137, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Substitute for House Bill No. 509:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to aid the College of Law of the University of Florida, and to appropriate to its use certain copies of the Acts of the Legislature, the Florida Supreme Court Reports, and the Revised Statutes.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Substitute for House Bill No. 509, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Special Committee on the suspension from office of Hon. B. B. Johnson, offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 23:

Be it Resolved by the Senate, That the special committee appointed to consider the suspension case of B. B. Johnson from the office of County Judge of Hamilton County, be and it is hereby authorized to subpoena witnesses in said cause at the expense of the State.

Mr. Calkins moved to adopt the resolution.

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Calkins asked that the special committee referred to in the resolution, be permitted to sit during the session.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Anderson moved that 200 copies of House Bill No. 205 be printed.

Which was agreed to.

HOUSE BILLS ON THE THIRD READING.

House Bill No. 127 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 410:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to protect and regulate the game, wild animals and birds of the State of Florida, and to provide for the enforcement of this Act.

Was taken up and was read the third time in full, together with the Senate amendments thereto.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Davis, Forgarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Mathis, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—21.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Andrews, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Jones, McEachern, Oliver, Sheppard—9.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILLS ON THE SECOND READING.

House Bill No. 19:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the furnishing by the State of free text books for the use of the pupils of the public free schools in the State of Florida, and to provide for the levy and collection of a tax for said purposes, and appropriating the amounts collected on account of said tax levy for the payment of said text books and other expenses herein provided for, and providing penalties for violations of this Act.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 19 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 19 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Mathis moved to indefinitely postpone the Bill. Which was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 19 was indefinitely postponed.

House Bill No. 414:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the creation of Turnbull County in the State of Florida, and for the organization and government thereof.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 414 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 414 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 414:

Strike out the word "Turnbull" wherever it appears in the bill and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Imokalee."

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Oliver moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Upon which a ye and nay vote was demanded.

The roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Andrews Baker, Carlton, Davis, Gornto, Hughlett, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Wells, Willis, Wilson—20.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Calkins, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Igou, King, MacWilliams, Terrell, Turner—12.

So the Bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Farris offered the following explanation of his vote against the indefinite postponement of House Bill No. 414:

"I have the highest regard for the Senator from the 28th, and regard him as one of my warmest personal friends, and for this reason I find myself in a most unpleasant and embarrassing situation; but inasmuch as I received a large vote in the eastern section of Volusia County in the contest for the Democratic nomination for Governor, and very few votes from the western section of the county, it becomes my duty to stand with my friends, provided, the rule of Senatorial courtesy does

not apply, and provided, further, the measure is meritorious. The measure being a general measure, the rule of Senatorial courtesy does not apply, and the bill being meritorious, judging it by the same rule by which other counties have been created, I cannot in good conscience take a stand against those who stood with me, and I want the Senator from the 28th to know that in taking this position I do so only for the reasons above stated, and not because I do not appreciate his friendship."

House Joint Resolution No. 25:

Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 8 of Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to education.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment, House Joint Resolution No. 25 was placed on the Calendar of House Bills on the Third Reading.

House Bill No. 20:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1604 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to interest upon judgments.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, under the rule, moved to indefinitely postpone the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 20 was indefinitely postponed, and the action of the Senate was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 227:

A Bill to be entitled An Act fixing the compensation of County Commissioners in counties having a population of from thirty-five thousand up to fifty thousand persons.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, under the rules, moved to indefinitely postpone the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 227 was indefinitely postponed, and the action of the Senate was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 230:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 775 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, as amended by Chapter 6240 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1911, relating to compensation of County Commissioners.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee of Judiciary A, under the rules, moved to indefinitely postpone the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 230 was indefinitely postponed, and the action of the Senate was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 126:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to encourage and secure the construction of one or more lines of railway and toll bridges across Tampa Bay or Old Tampa Bay, and to grant a right of way over and authorize the filling in of the submerged and other lands belonging to the State of Florida, in, upon, or adjacent, to the waters of Tampa Bay or Old Tampa Bay, for the use of any common carrier undertaking the construction of such line or lines of railway and toll bridges, and granting the right to construct buildings, wharves, docks, and depots thereon in connection with, and as a part of, the facilities of any such common carrier constructing or maintaining such line or lines of railway and toll bridges.

And the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 23:

A Bill to be entitled An Act in relation to payment of deposits in two or more names.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment to House Bill No. 23, it was placed on the Calendar of House Bills on the Third Reading.

House Bill No. 114:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to answers in chancery and to authorize the waiver of answers under oath, and to prescribe the effect of such answers.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment, House Bill No. 114, was

placed on the Calendar of House Bills on the Third Reading.

House Bill No. 113:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the creation of corporations to hold or conduct fairs or expositions, and to prescribe the powers thereof and the method of incorporating the same.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment, House Bill No. 113 was placed on the Calendar of House Bills on the Third Reading.

Mr. Wells moved to waive the rules and to proceed to the consideration of Messages from the Governor.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The following communication from the Governor, which accompanied the Act returned by the Executive, was read:

Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

In pursuance of the provisions of Section 28 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Florida, I return herewith without my approval the following measure which originated in the Senate:

"An Act extending the time for the completion of the revision, simplification, arrangement and consolidation of the Statutes by the Commissioner appointed under the provisions of Chapter 6930, Acts of 1915."

My objections to this Statute are as follows:

The purpose of Chapter 6930 of the Acts of 1913, providing for the revision and consolidation of all the laws of a general nature of this State, was to provide and supply to the public officers and citizens of the State a compilation of the Statute Laws of the State for their convenient use and for the general public benefit.

It is provided in this Statute that the Commissioner appointed to do this work shall deliver the copies of the compilation, which he shall have printed, to the Governor

of the State, who is required to distribute the same, one copy to each member of the Legislature as soon as practicable after the election held in November, 1916, and one copy to each Supreme Court Justice and each Circuit Judge of the State, thus clearly indicating the purpose and intent of the Legislature authorizing this revision that it be completed prior to the present session of the Legislature in order that it might be considered and adopted, if, upon examination by the Legislature, it was found that the work had been properly done.

Because of the delay in the completion of this work a great number of citizens of the State and public officers have found it necessary, at considerable expense to themselves and to the public, to buy a compilation of the Statutes of the State prepared and published outside of the State of Florida, and as a further result of such delay other citizens and public officers will be required to incur and pay a like expense to their great loss and injury and to the detriment of the people generally of the State, who will be deprived of the use of the compilation, which they would have had if it had been completed as contemplated by the Legislature when it was authorized and provided for.

It is my opinion that public duties should be performed with the same promptness that is required in private affairs, and this view is emphasized in this case because of the expense and inconvenience to the public which will result from the delay.

Furthermore, as at present provided for, there is no assurance that the work will be completed by the next session of the Legislature, and I, therefore, recommend that the Statute authorizing this compilation be so amended as to provide for three commissioners to do the work, as has been the custom in previous revisions in this State; that the compensation authorized be divided among them, and that they be required, under appropriate penalties, to complete the work prior to the convening of the next regular session of the Legislature.

Very respectfully,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor.

Mr. Alexander moved that the consideration of the Act and the Governor's objections thereto be temporarily

passed over, and that the same be placed among the orders of the day for tomorrow.

Which motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Wells moved that the Senate do now proceed to consider the Act and the Governor's objections thereto.

Which motion prevailed, and the Act, together with the Governor's objections thereto, were placed before the Senate.

The question being put, "Shall the Bill pass, the Governor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding?" the roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Baker, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—Senator Alexander.

So the Bill passed, title as stated, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following communication from the Governor was read:

Executive Department, State of Florida,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

The 1915 session of the Legislature made an appropriation of \$60,000.00 from the Treasury of the State for the purpose of paying the costs of taking a census of the population by counties in this State, in order that the Legislature at the 1917 session might have the necessary information to re-apportion the representation in the House of Representatives and the Senate.

It becomes my duty as Chief Executive of the State to call your attention to Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution, which is as follows:

"The Legislature that shall meet A. D. 1887 and those that shall meet every ten (10) years thereafter shall apportion the representation in the Senate the whole

number of Senators not to exceed thirty-two (32) members; and at the same time shall also apportion the representation in the House of Representatives the whole number of Representatives not to exceed sixty-eight (68) members. The representation in the House of Representatives shall be apportioned among the several counties as nearly as possible according to population; provided, each county shall have one Representative at large in the House of Representatives and no county shall have more than three (3) Representatives."

It has been thirty years since the last apportionment.

That glaring inequalities exist in apportionment of the present representation cannot be denied. Leaving Nassau, Jefferson, Columbia, Bradford, Hamilton, Madison and Putnam counties, with a combined population of 117,177, are given in the present apportionment of eight Senators, which is 25 per cent of the strength of that body, and in the House these counties are given fifteen Representatives, which is more than 20 per cent of the Constitutional strength of that body. The combined population of Duval, Hillsborough and Pinellas counties is 197,330, and yet the counties of Duval, Hillsborough and Pinellas are only allowed two Senators and five Representatives. In the first eight counties named the Senators represent an average population of 14,647, and in the case of Duval, Hillsborough and Pinellas each Senator represents a population of 98,665.

The eight counties first named have an assessed valuation of \$28,739,909.00 against the total valuation of \$74,810,304.00 in the counties of Duval, Hillsborough and Pinellas, which is \$46,080,395.00 more than the eight smaller counties enjoying the larger percentage of representation in the Legislature.

As rank as the injustice and inequalities cited in this comparison are shown to be, they are surpassed by a still greater inequality done the counties of Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, St. Lucie and Brevard. These five counties have only one Senator and are all embraced in the 13th Senatorial District, notwithstanding the fact that they have a combined population of 54,827 and a combined assessed value of property of \$32,083,619.00, which is \$3,243,710.00 more than the eight counties enjoying one fourth of the entire representation in the Senate. There

are numerous other instances of this nature I could call to your attention.

The fundamental principles of democratic government are based on equal representation, right and justice to all classes of citizens. Your duty in this matter is plain. For a body of honorable men such as composes the membership of the present Legislature to openly violate a sworn and Constitutional duty and to lend their silent consent to the perpetuation of such injustices as the ones here called to your attention is beyond my ability to conceive of or believe.

The necessity for a law that will establish a fund to guarantee the deposits of the people in State Banks is another measure I deem of very great importance. Banks are at present allowed to receive the hard-earned savings of old people, orphans and widows without any assurance, except an empty promise, that they will be returned. In the last two or three years we have seen disastrous bank failures that have swept the savings of the people away. A State that allows a condition such as this to exist is not fully performing its functions and duties. By a small tax or assessment levied on all banks alike a fund can be created that will eliminate all such losses, and will not be burdensome to any bank. There is no greater duty or obligation that the members of your honorable body owe their constituents than this one. When deposits are made in a banking institution incorporated and chartered by the State of Florida the depositors should have full assurance that the State will see that the money is returned.

There is yet ample time for the present session to take these matters up and enact measures of this nature into law and I hope to see this accomplishment.

Respectfully submitted,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor of Florida.

Mr. Farris moved that the consideration of the communication from the Governor as above read, be temporarily passed over.

Mr. MacWilliams moved as a substitute for the motion that the communication be referred to the Committee on Executive Communications.

Which substitute motion was agreed to.

And the communication was so referred.

Mr. Farris moved to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 19 was indefinitely postponed by the Senate.

Which motion was ruled out of order, Mr. Farris being present and he not having voted on the prevailing side.

Mr. Moore moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate took a recess until 4 o'clock P. M. this day.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON—4 O'CLOCK.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

A quorum present.

Mr. Mathis, of the committee on the part of the Senate to visit and investigate the Old Soldiers' Home at Jacksonville, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

The Joint Committee appointed under the provisions of Concurrent Resolution No. 12 beg leave to report as follows:

We reached Jacksonville Tuesday morning, May 8th, and at once began our investigation, which we will make as brief as possible. The location of the Old Confederate Soldiers' Home is on the St. Johns River on the edge of the City of Jacksonville. The Home is a two-story wooden structure, in need of some repair, but as a whole, well kept. The inmates are clean and neat and getting along

as well as could reasonably be expected for men of their age. We found the Home furnished with cows and chickens, which furnish milk and eggs to the inmates, and also found that they were given a variety of food, in our opinion sufficient.

We found that the Home is managed by J. K. Munnerlyn and assisted by Mr. Russ, both of whom are inmates of the Home; also a matron, Mrs. Munnerlyn, wife of J. K. Munnerlyn, a very elderly lady. This we don't believe to be best, and, therefore, recommend that some change in the management be made. We found that thirty-two names were upon the roster, but only twenty-five were present, some being away on furlough. We also found a matron, nurse and five servants were employed. This, we think, is more than is necessary, and recommend a reduction in the number of servants.

Upon investigation we found that the trustees have sold the riparian rights of the Home to the City of Jacksonville for \$7,500.00, after expenses were paid, and it is now drawing interest.

The Legislature of 1909 made \$50.00 appropriation for burial expenses. We found that arrangements have been made with Moulton & Kyle whereby this burial is being given for \$30.00 each. We recommend that the State only pay \$30.00 and have Comptroller call upon the trustees for the difference.

We also recommend, as the State is appropriating more than \$6,000.00 a year for the maintenance of the home, that the State Auditor be directed to check the books of the trustees. We make this recommendation because there are some rumors of graft. Many of the old soldiers don't believe they are getting value for the amount the State is appropriating for their care, and if this be untrue, it is a great injustice to the management. We found that the several chapters of the Daughters of the Confederacy are assisting materially in the support and maintenance of the home, and we therefore recommend that they be given recognition from the Board of Trustees.

Dr. M. Kennedy left \$4,000.00 to the home. We found that a part of this has been spent in repair and the balance placed at interest. Also \$800.00 was received from the race-course track. Dr. H. Robinson, president of the home, stated to us that they had about \$12,000.00 at in-

terest. Knowing that these old soldiers cannot live long, and believing that the above amount is sufficient to amply take care of them for the rest of their lives, we therefore recommend that the State do one of two things: First, take over the home and assume active management, and appropriate sufficient amount to establish home either by construction or rent; or, second, cease to make any further appropriation for its maintenance under the present management.

To this report we attach statement from the Comptroller covering from January 1, 1911, to May 1, 1917.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. BRYANT,
W. REID ROBSON,
C. C. MATHIS,

Committee.

Maintenance of Old Confederate Soldiers and Sailors Home, at Jacksonville, Fla., January 1, 1911, to May 1, 1917:

Year	Support of Inmates	Salary of Supt.	Salary of Matron	Mainte- nance Hos- pital	Burial Expenses	Contin- gent Fund	Total for Year
1911	\$2,905.77	\$360.00	\$240.00	\$900.00	\$ 90.00	\$1,000.00	\$4,495.77
1912	3,498.50	330.00	220.00	900.00	150.00		6,038.50
1913	3,517.00	360.00	240.00	900.00	150.00	500.00	5,667.00
1914	4,083.00	360.00	220.00	900.00	250.00	500.00	6,313.00
1915	4,450.00	360.00	270.00	900.00	150.00	500.00	6,630.00
1916	4,873.00	360.00	235.00	900.00	200.00	500.00	7,068.00
Total 6 Yrs. To May 1st.	\$23,327.27	\$2,130.00	\$1,425.00	\$5,400.00	\$990.00	\$3,000.00	\$36,272.27
Incl. 1917 32 Inmates May 1st, 1917.	\$2,293.50	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$375.00	\$ 100.00		\$3,018.50

Mr. Mathis moved that the report be received and spread on the Journal.

Which was agreed to.

And it was so ordered.

By permission—

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 499.)

An Act to provide for the enrolling by typewriter machines of bills and joint resolutions passed by the Legislature.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 501.)

An Act to authorize the City of Tallahassee to levy a special tax for creating a publicity and advertising fund for said city, and providing for the expenditure thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 471.)

An Act to amend the charter of the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida, by extending the territorial boundaries of said town, and to provide penalties for the carrying of concealed weapons and the selling of spiritous liquors or malts within the corporate limits thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 437.)

An Act authorizing the town of DeFuniak Springs to issue interest-bearing warrants in the sum of three thousand dollars to take up outstanding indebtedness, and six thousand dollars for the purchase of fire fighting equipment.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 476.)

An Act to provide free school books for the children attending the public schools of Clay County, Florida, and to authorize the County Board of Public Instruction to furnish school books to the children attending the public schools of Clay County.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 137.)

An Act making appropriations for the support and maintenance of the state institutions for higher education, created and required to be maintained by Chapter 5384 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 5, 1905, now known as the University of Florida, the Florida State College for Women, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, and the Florida Agricultural and Mechanical College for Negroes; and for the support and maintenance of summer schools, created by Chapter 6498, Laws of Florida, approved June 5, 1913.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

By permission—

Mr. Gornito, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

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Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

By permission—
Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 236:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to protect and regulate the fresh water fishing industry of the State of Florida, and to provide for the enforcement of this Act.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 236, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

By permission—
Mr. Mathis, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 521:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend An Act (Chapter 6834 of the Laws of Florida, Acts of 1915) authoriz-

ing the State School Book Commission of the State of Florida to expend the time limit of five weeks for renewing contracts for purchase of school text-books to July 1, 1919, and for other purposes.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,
C. C. MATHIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 521, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

By permission—
Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 13.)

An Act to amend Chapter 6883 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1915, the same being entitled "An Act providing for the creation of a State Road Department; providing for the appointment of the members of such department; prescribing their duties and powers; providing for the employment of a State Road Commissioner, and creating a fund for the maintenance thereof."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 203.)

An Act relating to the sale, service or dispensing of intoxicating liquors, wines or beer by clubs or other associations of persons, whether incorporated or not incorporated.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

By permission—

Mr. J. M. Gorton, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred,—

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Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORTON,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—
(Senate Bill No. 499.)

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The Acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to convey to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Carlton moved that House Bill No. 46 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 46:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing counties to exercise the right of eminent domain, to acquire property for certain purposes, prescribe the procedure in such actions, and providing for the payment of property so acquired.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

The following Committee Amendment to House Bill No. 46 was read:

In Section 5, line 11, strike out the words "twenty nor more than thirty," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Thirty nor more than forty."

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the Committee Amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee Amendment was read:

In Section 5, line 24, strike out the word "three," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Four."

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee Amendment was read:

In Section 5, lines 31 and 32, strike out the words "the filing of the petition and the issuing of the notice shall operate as a lis pendens," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Notice of lis pendens may be filed and recorded as in other cases."

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

House Bill No. 46, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills to engross the Senate Amendments.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS ON THE SECOND READING:

House Bill No. 293:

A Bill to be entitled An Act requiring all county officials, who are by law required to give bond, to give surety bonds.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Carlton, Chairman of the Committee, as required by the rule, moved to indefinitely postpone House Bill No. 293.

Which was agreed to, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

House Bill No. 242:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and directing the State Board of Institutions of the State of Florida to employ guards, detectives and secret service men for the purpose of guarding and protecting all public property and buildings belonging to the State of Florida.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Carlton, Chairman of the Committee, as required by the rule, moved to indefinitely postpone House Bill No. 242.

Which was agreed to.
And the Bill was indefinitely postponed.

House Bill No. 388:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to fix a maximum limit on the annual compensation to be paid to the Board of County Commissioners of Liberty County, prescribing the duties of the Clerk of said Board thereunder, and providing for the removal of County Commissioners for violation thereof.

Was taken up, and read the second time in full.

There being no amendments House Bill No. 388 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Substitute for House Bills Nos. 89, 92, 149 and 205 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 503:

A Bill to be entitled An Act validating deeds of conveyance made by the Florida Mortgage and Investment Company, Limited.

Was taken up, and was read the second time.

There being no amendment to House Bill No. 503, it was placed on the Calendar of House Bills on the Third Reading.

House Bill No. 447 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 434 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

HOUSE BILLS ON THIRD READING.

House Bill No. 127:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to add to the internal Improvement Fund lands of the State of Florida, certain lands and accretions and sand bars and banks in the tidal waters of the County of Pinellas; to provide for the disposition of same by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and regulate the use and improvement of same.

Was taken up, and read the third time in full.
Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived,

and that House Bill No. 127 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 127 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Fogarty, Greene McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland Sheppard, Wilson—17.

Nays—Senators Farris Gornto, Hughlett, Mathis, McLeod, Plympton, Willis—7.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL BILLS ON THE SECOND READING.

House Bill No. 112:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the registered voters of Election District Number Thirty-two of Duval County, Florida, to decide at a special election, whether or not swine and cattle shall be allowed to run at large in said district; forbidding the owners of swine and cattle to allow them to run at large in said district, and providing penalties therefor.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

Mr. Farris moved to indefinitely postpone House Bill No. 112.

Which was agreed to.

And the Bill was indefinitely postponed.

House Bill No. 504 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 364 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 546:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida, to employ an attorney at law to prosecute those charged

with crime before the County Judge and Justice of the Peace Courts of said county.

Was taken up.

Mr. Andrews moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 546 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 546 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Andrews moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 546 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 546 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Fogarty moved to waive the rules and take up House Bill No. 504 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 504:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the employment of detectives by the Solicitor of the Criminal Court of Record in and for Monroe County, Florida, and to provide for funds to pay such detectives.

Was taken up.

Mr. Fogarty moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 504 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 504 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Fogarty moved to indefinitely postpone House Bill No. 504.

Which was agreed to.

And the Bill was indefinitely postponed.

House Bill No. 493 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 652:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 7069, Acts of 1915, regulating the manner of catching fish in the fresh water lakes, streams, canals and other waters of Orange County; prohibiting the shipment of same out of said county, and providing punishment for violations of this Act.

Was taken up.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 652 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 652 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 652 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 652 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 606:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prescribing who shall be subject to road duty in Calhoun County, Florida; providing for the payment of a road tax in lieu of working roads, and the application of such road tax money; providing for the appointment of road overseers and their compensation, and making the violation of this Act a misdemeanor.

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 606 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 606 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 606 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 606 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 616:

A Bill to be entitled An Act permitting and authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Columbia County, in their discretion, to employ an attorney to represent the State in all hearings and trials in which the State is a party, in the County Judge's Court and Justice of the Peace Courts in said county; limiting the salary of such attorney, and fixing the manner in which same shall be paid.

Was taken up.

Mr. Plympton moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 616 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 616 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Plympton moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 616 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 616 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 618 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 621:

A Bill to be entitled An Act limiting the amount of tonnage by motor vehicles and restricting the use of trailers and log, timber, turpentine or other cars, wagons or vehicles and well machines over certain roads in Hillsborough County, Florida, and regulating the speed of and the use of wagons, carts, machines, automobiles or other vehicles over the roads of said county.

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 621 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 621 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 621 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 621 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Willis—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 500:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the city of Pant City, Florida, to appropriate money from the general revenue fund of said city for public library purposes, and to provide the manner of expending such appropriations, and for other purposes.

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 500 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 500 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 500 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 500 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 556:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the employment of detectives by the County Attorney and County Commissioners of Franklin County, Florida; and to provide a fund to pay such detective.

Was taken up.

Mr. Oliver moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 556 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 556 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Oliver moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 556 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 556 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Willis, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 685:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, to refund to D. M. Pipkin the amount of a certain judgment and costs entered against said D. M. Pipkin on account of the forfeiture of his bond for the appearance of one Snap Zeigler.

Was taken up.

Mr. Eaton moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 685 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 685 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Eaton moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 685 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 685 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 663:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the City of Tallahassee to levy a special tax for creating a publicity and advertising fund for said city, and providing for the expenditure thereof.

Was taken up.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 663 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Wells moved to indefinitely postpone House Bill No. 663.

Which was agreed to.

And the Bill was indefinitely postponed.

House Bill No. 613 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 617 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 622:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and validate at law and in equity the tax assessments and levies made by the Tax Assessors of the Town of Jennings, in Hamilton County, Florida, of real estate, lying and being situate in said town, for the years of 1913, 1914 and 1915; and to legalize and validate at law and in equity tax sales made by the Tax Collectors in and for the Town of Jennings, Florida, of all real estate, lying and being situate in said town, made during the years of 1914, 1915 and 1916.

Was taken up.

Mr. Greene moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 622 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 622 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Greene moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 622 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 622 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 623 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 624 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 630:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making it unlawful to catch fish in certain fresh water lakes of Osceola County.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Crawford moved to lay House Bill No. 630 on the table.

Which was agreed to.

And the action of the Senate was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 633:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 10, 15 and 17 of Chapter 7168 (No. 362), Acts 1915, same being An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Homestead, in the County of Dade, and State of Florida, and to reorganize and establish a municipal government for the said town, to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers and to authorize the imposition of penalties for the violation of its ordinances.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 633 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 633 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 633 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 633 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 642 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 662 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 666:

A Bill to be entitled An Act granting additional rights, powers and privileges to the City of Sanford, Seminole County, Florida, with reference to buying, holding, leasing, selling or otherwise disposing of any real estate owned by said city when said real estate so conveyed is to be used for hotel purposes, public buildings, parks or other public purposes, and providing for the release under certain conditions of any lien for local improvements claimed by the City of Sanford on any real estate alienated or conveyed.

Was taken up.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 666 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 666 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be further waived,

and that House Bill No. 666 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 666 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 688:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize the election held on the 5th day of December, A. D. 1916, in Gadsden County, State of Florida, to determine whether bonds should be issued by the Board of County Commissioners for said county as proposed and provided by a resolution voted upon and passed by said Board of County Commissioners of Gadsden County, Florida, passed in open session at a meeting of said Board on the 18th day of October, A. D. 1916, and to declare and render valid said resolution and to authorize the issuance of bonds as provided by said resolution.

Was taken up.

Mr. Sheppard moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 688 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 688 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Sheppard moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 688 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 688 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews,

Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 690 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 540 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 649 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Mr. Oliver moved to waive the rules and to proceed to the consideration of Messages from the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Senate proceeded to consider

MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 44:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of Supervisors of a Drainage District to obtain permits from the Government of the United States and to give bond for the performance of same;

Also—

Senate Bill No. 6:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend An Act entitled "An Act imposing licenses and other taxes, providing for the payment thereof and prescribing penalties for doing business without a license, or other failure to comply with the provisions thereof." Approved June 5, 1915.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 64:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the registration of aliens when a state of war exists or is imminent between the United States and a foreign country.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 119:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section One Hundred and Three (103) of the General Statutes of the State of Florida in relation to the issue of warrants by the Comptroller of this State.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 130:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section One Hundred and Thirteen (113) of the General Statutes of the State of Florida relative to the keeping of certain record books and making of reports by the Comptroller of this State.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bills Nos. 44, 6, 64, 119 and 130, contained in the above message, were read the first time by their title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

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House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate,

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has indefinitely postponed—

Senate Bill No. 75:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to require the flying of the flag.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 49:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the assignment of mortgages.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 85:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the resignation of Executors and Administrators.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate,

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has indefinitely postponed—

Senate Bill No. 112:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 5 and 8 of Chapter 6525 of the Laws of Florida, providing for the regulation of telegraph and telephone companies doing business in the State of Florida.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Substitute for House Bill No. 52:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the resignation and relief of executors and administrators.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 52, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 716:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the disposition of causes pending in the County Court of Liberty County, Florida, at the time such court was abolished.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 716, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Oliver moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 716 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 716 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Oliver moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 716 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 716 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 584:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for and regulate primary elections in this State and prescribing penalties for any violation thereof.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 584, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 129:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section One Hundred and Seven (107) of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to warrants paid.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 129, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

By permission—

Mr. McLeod introduced—

Senate Bill No. 523:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2211, General Statutes of the State of Florida, requiring bonds from contractors to owners in certain cases.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Organized Labor.

By permission—

Mr. Jones introduced—

Senate Bill No. 524:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and directing

the County of Escambia to pay the claim of the American National Bank of Pensacola for money advanced to said county when it was without funds.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Jones moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 524 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 524 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Jones moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 524 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 524 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Carlton moved that House Bill No. 522 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 522:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and validate an election held in the County of Hillsborough, State of Florida, on the 24th day of April, 1917, to determine by a majority of the votes cast at said election whether bonds to the amount of \$100,000.00 proposed by a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners should be issued for the purpose of building and constructing roads and bridges in the Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, and creating said Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, to declare and render valid the said election, and the result as shown by returns thereof, to cure

all irregularities, illegalities, defects or omissions in all proceedings relating to the issuance and sale of said bonds, and the election authorizing the same, to the delivery of said bonds, to legalize and validate all proceedings had in reference to said bonds, and to authorize the issue of bonds to the amount of \$100,000.00 by said Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, for said Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, drawing interest at 5 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and the sale of the same.

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 522 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 522 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 522 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 522 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. McLeod moved to waive the rules and certify all Bills passed to the present moment immediately.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to waive the rules and take up and consider Senate Bills on the Calendar of Local Bills.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Senate Bill No. 422 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 464 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 494:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to define and establish the western boundary of the City of Fernandina.

Was taken up.

Mr. Calkins moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 494 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 494 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Calkins moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 494 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 494 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 455:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the qualification of electors in municipal elections to be held in the municipality of the City of DeLand, Volusia County, Florida.

Was taken up.

The consideration of Senate Bill No. 497 was temporarily passed over.

By consent, Senate Bill No. 498 was withdrawn.

Mr. Alexander moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 455 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 455 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Alexander moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 455 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 455 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, Mathis, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Wilson—24.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Davis, Gornto, McEachern, Willis—5.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 500:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate the acts and proceedings of the Town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, and its town council, officers and agents, relating to the placing of curbs and gutters along certain streets in the Town of Avon Park, the assessment of the property benefited by said improvements, the issuance of paying certificates, or certificates of indebtedness and improvement bonds.

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 500 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 500 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 500 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 500 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore,

Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 508 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 512:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to repeal Chapter 6249, Acts of 1911, approved May 19, 1911, being "An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, to issue interest-bearing time warrants for the purpose of constructing and building certain designated hard-surface roads within said county."

Was taken up.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 512 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 512 was read a third time by its title only.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 512 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 512 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 514:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the collec-

tion of delinquent taxes due the town of Fort Meade, Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Eaton moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 514 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 514 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Eaton moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 514 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 514 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 516:

A Bill to be entitled An Act empowering the municipalities of the City of Palmetto and the City of Bradenton to own, construct, operate and maintain jointly a free bridge across the Manatee River, providing for the issuance of bonds therefor, the regulation of traffic, the management and control thereof and power of sale.

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 516 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 516 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 516 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 516 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 517:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing compensation to the Board of County Commissioners of Lafayette County, Florida, from the Dixie Highway Special Road and Bridge District Fund of said Lafayette County, for services rendered in behalf of and relating to said district.

Was taken up.

Mr. Gornto moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 517 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 517 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Gornto moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 517 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 517 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill assed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Gornto moved to waive the rules and that all Sen-

ate Bills passed by the Senate this afternoon be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Alexander moved to waive the rules and take up Senate Bill No. 408 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Igou moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 10 o'clock Wednesday, May 16, 1917.

Wednesday, May 16, 1917.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—32.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of May 15 was corrected and approved as corrected

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Wells, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 16, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate,

Sir:

Your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 391:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create the State Live Stock Sanitary Board and to prescribe its membership, powers and duties, fix the compensation for the services of its members and to vest in said Board the authority